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On August 26, Emily Land and Hope Williams are practicing on their piccolos outside of the Foy building for their class. They are given masks, like the one Emily is wearing, that enables them to practice while following the safety guidelines.



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On this humid day of August 25, Arturo Diaz and Rebecka Moreno are enjoying their meal outside of Russel Union talking about their classes.

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staff

While waiting for her friends on this humid day, August 24, Milani Richardson decided to take a seat outside of Lakeside with her lunch.



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How has COVID-19 impacted your daily routine at GS?

"It definitely a significant change, especially with it being my last semester here. I miss seeing the vibrancy of campus life."



Mental Whiplash



MORGAN CARR

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After the shutdown in March, the subsequent couple of months with an online pseudo-education (at no fault of the faculty and staff, we didn't see this coming so quickly), and a summer break void of activities, we have trained our brains to accept the days running together. Having run on autopilot so long it shouldn't have been a surprise to me when suddenly getting thrown back into a routine tripped me up, not to mention the heightened sense of panic.

Assignments and deadlines show the stark difference of letting the days run together just to cope versus having to know what's due at what time every day for the next few weeks and months. Having all day, every day to revisit old hobbies and watch movies was a luxury I didn't realize I would miss.

It's only been one week of classes and I already feel like I'm falling behind. I'm spending hours just staring at my planner trying to remember what I'm supposed to do,

what priority things should be, and if I'm forgetting something. I can barely focus on homework because I'm constantly thinking about everything else I have to do.

This semester promises to be the most thrilling (see: terrifying) on so many levels. Being back on campus among my peers is a new level of danger each day as the case count rises, even with masks and social distancing measures. It feels inevitable to be affected by this virus, it's only a matter of when. No one wants to think about the likelihood of one of their friends dying.

While returning to a sense of structure and control is somewhat relieving, in the wider scope of this moment in history, my education feels miniscule. A global pandemic, a new wave of nation-wide civil rights movements, mass eviction and job-loss, threats to the USPS (one of the most essential services out there), and to top it all off we have an election to pay attention to. How, in this whole mess of things, am I expected to see my course load as my biggest priority?

But on the flip side, it gets so overwhelming that it feels like that's all I can do. Go to class, wear a mask, wash my hands, try to stay informed, don't spiral. How are we supposed to look forward from here? Guess I'll just have to schedule an existential breakdown each day between class and work.



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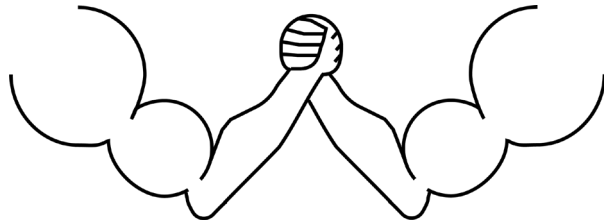
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What could cause a “toggle” to partially or fully online learning?



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STATESBORO — Without COVID-19 fully under control students and staff might begin to wonder what could cause another “toggle”.

The George-Anne’s Andy Cole interviewed President Kyle Marrero where the toggle was further discussed and more which can be found on our website. Marrero explains that he’s been meeting throughout the summer with a situation representatives group.

“We started when we first worked on the plan and then had more than 130 administrators, faculty, staff, health professionals, public

health professionals all within guiding us to develop an initial return.” said Marrero.

The situation representatives group will meet three times a week and continue to assess every part of the plan they have and make sure it’s implemented correctly. With this group Marrero hopes to closely monitor the presence of COVID-19.

Marrero and his group will look at all surrounding counties and what’s happening with the spread. The group will study where the numbers are, what the number of cases per 100,000, they keep in constant contact with East

Georgia Medical, St. Joe Candler, Memorial, Liberty, and will look at statistics from bed occupancy to levels of number of COVID patients and ventilators in use.

The group will keep in close contact and study statistics in order to adapt and prevent another toggle.

This group has also worked to compile a detailed and helpful COVID-19 FAQ page that can be found at www.georgiasouthern.edu/covid-19-information/general-faq/

Correction

Last week, The George-Anne printed a student comment that incorrectly noted the library’s hours. While the hours quoted may have been true at the time the quote was submitted, they are no longer true. The library is open six days a week and its hours can be found on its website. The George-Anne regrets this mistake.

Paulson Stadium to reopen with 25% capacity cap

Students and season ticket holders will be able to attend all six home games

BY FERNANDA CAMACHO HAUSER

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STATESBORO — On Monday, Jared Benko, athletic director, announced Paulson Stadium will be at a 25% capacity—or 6,250 fans—for the fall football season.

The plan allows season ticket holders to cheer on the Eagles for the six scheduled home games. In order to accommodate spectators while still complying with social distancing guidelines, the four grassy hills and other areas outside of the seating bowl will be opened.

As of now, students will be allowed into the games. The athletics department did not provide any additional details on what that might look like.

This year the tickets will be available in digital in order to reduce contact that could occur between vendors and purchasers or between purchasers who might pass the tickets from one person to another in order to enter the stadium.

The parking passes will also be available through this contactless method, with printing options available for passes and tickets.

Those who attend the games will have to follow the same clear page policy as prior years along with face coverings. Those who don’t bring their own face coverings will be provided with disposable face masks along with purchasable options through vendors.

For more information on the face covering policy along with modifications to tailgating and additional changes to Paulson Stadium you can visit the athletics department website.

Where are college students' COVID-19 positive cases reported to?

Would your case be counted in Bulloch county or your home county?

BY **ANDY COLE**
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STATESBORO — As COVID-19 rates continue to rise in Georgia and college communities around the state, questions are swirling on where students' COVID-19 positive cases are reported to—Bulloch county or the student's home county.

When a COVID-19 test is ordered, the results of the test are returned to the purchaser; that is who you got the test from. The purchaser then reports the results to GDPH.

"A positive test is recorded where you spend the bulk of your time and represents the place you were most likely infected," Nancy Nydam, GDPH spokeswoman, said. "For most students, living on campus or away from their

permanent or parents' home, the county listed would be the county where the school is located."

In an email to The George-Anne, Brian DeLoach, M.D., health services' medical director, confirmed that when Georgia Southern health services reports a positive case, they list the local address if one is available.

One solution for the confusion is GS' new COVID-19 exposure dashboard. There, you can track positive cases by day of positive confirmation, role (student or employee) and campus. It is, however, only updated once a week.

Rob Yarbrough, associate professor of geography, praised GS President Kyle Marrero's move to establish the dashboard, but added that he wished GS published

the information daily and provided as much information about the cases as lawfully possible to truly illustrate the situation.

"It's a good start. That's kind of what I say to my students when they've got a rough draft and they know they haven't quite put as much into it as they need to," said Yarbrough. "They know as much as I do that they've got a ways to go."

"An individual can be infected with COVID-19 anytime, anywhere – but the risk is greatest where you spend the most amount of time and around people outside of your own household," said Nyman. "This is less about an "official" address and more about where you spend your time."

The latest numbers from the Georgia DPH's COVID-19 Daily Status Report for counties with a Georgia Southern University campus:

Bulloch County:
1,546 cases, 21 deaths

Chatham County:
6,802 cases, 118 deaths

Liberty County:
894 cases, 15 deaths

Statewide:
260,590 cases, 23,939 hospitalizations, 5,311 deaths

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84 CASES OF MOLD REMEDIATION, NEARLY \$100,000 SPENT AND FOUR STUDENTS' 91 DAYS IN LIMBO

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STATESBORO — Four former on-campus residents say the mold problem in their apartment forced them into temporary housing for 91 days. Our investigation found dozens of mold remediation cases and nearly \$100,000 spent during one academic year.

During the 2018-2019 academic year, on-campus residents submitted 138 work orders related to mold. 84 of them resulted in some form of remediation, according to university documents obtained through the open records act.

That's nearly double the remediation cases that The University of Georgia had in the same time period. They had 43 according to a UGA spokesperson. UGA also serves more than double the amount of on-campus residents compared to GS' Statesboro campus.

University documents outline \$97,852.12 spent on remediation during that time. Nearly \$40,000, however, was spent on remediation at Kennedy Hall, which was shut down because of mold problems in January 2019.

Over the summer, GS announced it would spend an additional \$16.4 million to get Kennedy Hall back on line to serve students.

SOUTHERN COURTYARD 2217

Taylor Bartlett, Daryl Demarest, Hannah Scime and Grace Thornton began to notice their dorm, Southern Courtyard 2217, was humid and had a very distinct smell.

Over a rainy weekend near the end of October 2019, their mold problem got very serious very quickly. The smells got worse, humidity was at an all time high and visible mold began to appear all throughout the dorm. The women alerted the resident advisor on-call who came to check on their room.

"[The RA] came and looked at it with the maintenance guy, and they said, 'Well try and sleep in here for tonight, and we'll figure out what to do with you by tomorrow,'" Thornton said.

The women decided, instead, to stay in a local hotel for the night until university housing could investigate.

Formal testing took place Oct. 31, 2019, according to university documents. An

inspection by university officials revealed unsafe living conditions. The residents were split up and moved into two Centennial Place shared suites.

The first air quality test was performed in their room on Nov. 4, 2019. That test revealed 4,100 spores per cubic meter of air, according to university documents.

While there is no established "safe" level of mold in the U.S., Jeremy Shelton, certified microbial consultant and owner of SafeAir Certified Mold Inspection, Inc. in Atlanta, says some inspectors will say 1,000 spores per cubic meter is unsafe, while he suggests mold extermination at 500 spores per cubic meter.

The subsequent tests in the students' room indicated continued mold growth.

FORMER RESIDENTS REPORT ILLNESS AND LACK OF COMMUNICATION

All four residents reported medical problems from living in 2217. Bartlett and Thornton, however, were the only two to go to the doctor for their symptoms.



KRISTEN BALLARD/staff

Then-residents of Southern Courtyard Taylor Bartlett, Grace Thornton, Daryl Demarest and Hannah Scime



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Mold found in Southern Courtyard 2217



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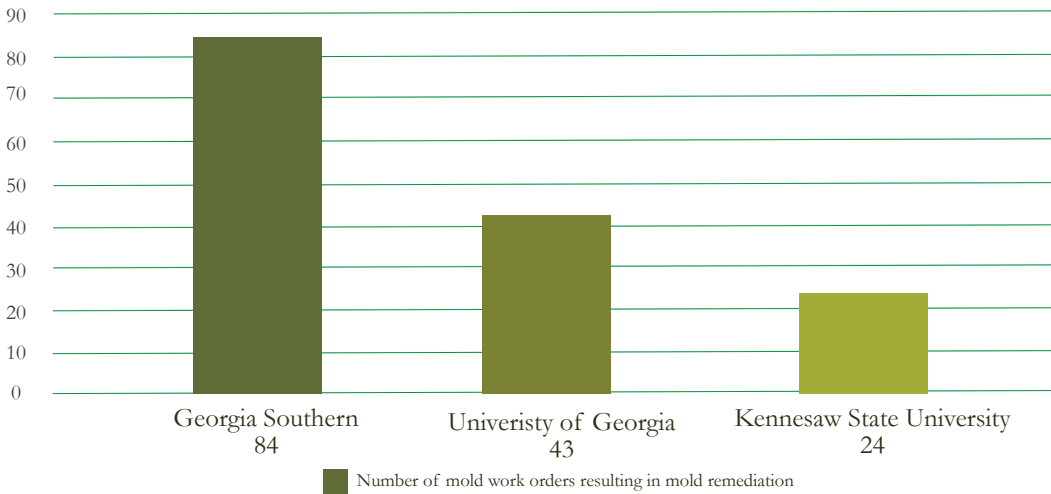
Mold found on Hannah Scime's shoes in Southern Courtyard 2217

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THEY HAD TOLD US THAT WE'D BE BACK BEFORE THANKSGIVING FOR SURE...”

HANNAH SCIME
Student

Number of mold work orders resulting in mold remediation



GEORGIA SOUTHERN'S MOLD PROBLEM IS MORE PREVALENT THAN ONE MIGHT THINK

Thorton visited GS Health Services just three days prior to the initial identification of mold. She was diagnosed with an acute upper respiratory infection, according to her medical records she provided to The George-Anne.

When pressed if university housing is aware of any other student's health conditions in relation to mold problems in their room, Peter Blutreich, executive director of university housing, said, "Medical information is protected. We do not keep record of student concerns regarding their health as it relates to their living environment."

Brian DeLoach, M.D., medical director for GS Health Services, advises anyone who thinks they have symptoms from living with mold to contact Health Services or their primary care physician.

The women also described a lack of communication from university officials and possible move-in dates repeatedly getting pushed back.

"They had told us that we'd be back before Thanksgiving for sure," Scime said. "Then after Thanksgiving for sure, then before Christmas break for sure and then after Christmas break for sure, for sure."

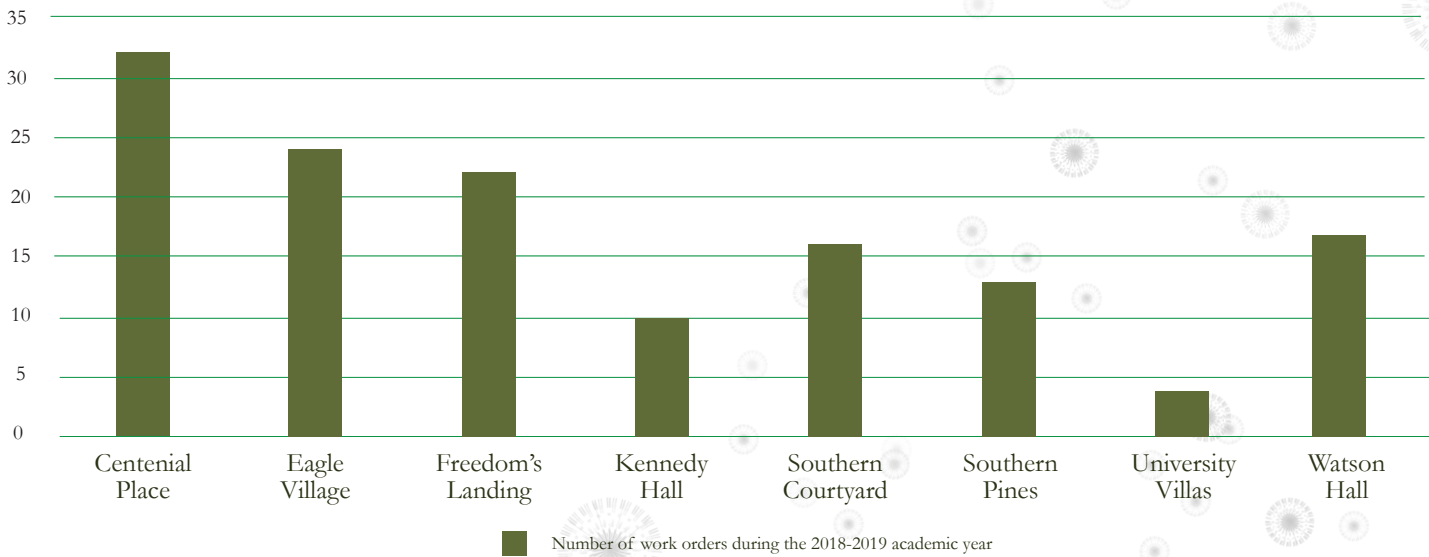
SOUTHERN COURTYARD 2205

Just two doors down, then-residents of 2205 began noticing visible mold in their own room. The first air quality test, performed on Jan. 8, 2020, revealed 37,000 spores per cubic meter, according to university documents.

"[The dorm] had extreme quantities of indoor type mold spores," Shelton said. "The humidity levels were extremely high and was conducive to the amplification of mold growth."

Shelton reviewed the air quality tests from both rooms and agreed with all but one: the final test. According to the report, zero spores per cubic meter were found. He said he's skeptical.

Number of Work Orders and Cases of Mold Remediation by Dorm Hall



"I have never [seen] this anomaly [in any] of the thousands of inspections I have completed during my 10 years as a mold inspector," Shelton said.

Kelly Close, director of environmental health and safety, was made aware of Shelton's statement and confirmed the use of air scrubbers for over 24 hours, a possibility Shelton noted as to the zero spore count.

"The consultant did not note any anomalies in the report," Close wrote in an email.

THEIR 91 DAYS IN LIMBO WERE OVER

After three weeks of remediation work on Southern Courtyard 2205, the room was released and considered safe by GS officials.

Bartlett, Demarest, Scime and Thornton quickly jumped on the opportunity to move back into anywhere besides their Centennial Place shared suites.

"Honestly, we wanted to be back where we

could all be together and have the same space we had before," Thornton said.

WHY IS GS' MOLD PROBLEM SO BAD?

Some may attribute GS' mold problem to the Bulloch County environment. Atin Adhikari, Ph.D., associate professor of environmental health sciences and a specialist in mold, disputes those claims, citing a project a former student of his completed in 2016.

In 20 Statesboro homes, the average spore count was less than 200, according to the project.

"There are no federal limits for mold or mold spores," Close said in response to the student's project. "The air sampling reports you reviewed followed remediation efforts in university housing apartments with visible mold growth."

IS UNIVERSITY HOUSING SAFE?

When questioned on whether university housing is safe to live in, Blutreich said yes

and added that he actually lived in university housing when he first began at GS.

Close agreed, adding, "More than 4,700 students live in university housing, and we work diligently every day to ensure their safety and their success."

"If any student has issues with their room and the conditions, simply submit a work order... the university works to quickly address any student issue, and keep them apprised of the progress and solutions to their concerns," added Blutreich.

Bartlett, Demarest, Scime, Thornton and the former residents of 2205 now live off campus. Currently, both rooms are occupied by other students.

Editor's Note: This investigation began in February 2020 and was completed in March. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, The George-Anne opted to hold publication of this story until face-to-face instruction resumed.



No,
this robot
is not being
stolen.

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STATESBORO — A Snapchat video was posted on Wednesday of one of the Starship Technologies food delivery robots being loaded into the back of a van with a caption alluding to a possible case of vandalism or theft of said robot.

What really occurred here, as clarified by Jennifer Wise, director of communications, was that an individual who works with Starship Technologies was loading the robot to be taken for maintenance as part of their job.

The announcement and introduction of the food delivery robots to campus seems to have created a buzz similar to the one brought about last year with the

introduction of the Lime scooters.

Both of these innovative additions to campus were brought in with the idea of aiding students with their on-campus needs.

When they began, Lime Scooters were met with a series of incidents ranging from an increase in student injuries to a new method of vandalizing school and private property.

The theft or vandalism of one of the robots has the same consequences as any other theft or vandalism that might occur on campus, according to Wise.

“Should the complainant wish to press charges, the report and investigation would be handled by UPD,” said Wise. “Each of the robots has a GPS tracker, and the images captured by its camera are monitored by Starship Technologies.”

WATERS COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS TO OFFER NEW MILITARY TRAINING PROGRAM

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Georgia Southern’s College of Health Professions is now offering a military program that will aid the 3rd Infantry Division in entering the military.

The program, which includes a basic course, trainer course and programming course, will give soldiers the chance to improve their performance and avoid injury during

physical training all while earning college credits and points towards promotions in the military.

Nancy Henderson, Ph.D., assistant professor in the department of rehabilitation services, praised the program in the press release saying, “The military gains more knowledgeable soldiers who can develop science-based and comprehensive physical training plans, and the individual soldier benefits by receiving college credits, which

can help them as they advance in their military careers.”

The Tactical Athlete Certification could be finished in just one semester as each of the three courses within the program are three weeks long with two weeks of online training and one week of in-person instruction.

Institutional Fees will be waived for active-duty military and there is no minimum GPA or SAT score required to be admitted to the program.

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NANCY HENDERSON
Ph.D, assistant professor in the department of rehabilitaion services



PHOTO: GEORGIA SOUTHERN

Georgia Southern honors “40 Under 40” class of 2020

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SAVANNAH — The Georgia Southern University Alumni Association has announced their “40 under 40” Class of 2020.

The “40 Under 40” program, in its fifth year, recognizes young alumni who have made significant strides in business, leadership, community, educational or philanthropic endeavors.

The “40 Under 40” honorees were chosen by a selection committee that reviewed each individual’s professional

expertise and achievements. The selection process began with nominations in March with more than 240 alumni nominated for this year’s class.

According to the 40 Under 40 page, honorees must have attended Georgia Southern or Armstrong State University, and “and aspire to uphold the University’s core values of collaboration, academic excellence, discovery and innovation, integrity, openness and inclusion, and sustainability.”

The group will be honored during a virtual awards ceremony on Sunday, September 13 broadcasted on Facebook Live.



Eagle Dining Services serves up new dining plans

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STATESBORO — In wake of social distancing guidelines and in preparation for the fall semester, Eagle Dining Services has begun to enact new dining plans across Georgia Southern University’s campuses.

The Eagle Gold and Eagle Blue dining plans initially offered to students, which advertised unlimited admission to the dining

halls on campus, have been reduced to 19 and 14 admissions a week, respectively, with a maximum of 4 admissions every day. Two new plans, Eagle Five and Eagle Three, offer a reduced rate of five admissions and three admissions a week, respectively, though these plans do not come packaged with Dining Dollars.

Seating in the dining halls has been greatly reduced, allowing only a portion of their maximum volume. To accommodate for this reduced seating, to-go options have been offered at all dining halls since March, encouraging students to take their food home or outside rather than eat in. Students who eat in, however, will be given the same to-go containers, cups and utensils they would receive if they decided to eat out.

“We’ve had to reduce our seating by 75% at all locations—for instance, the Dining Commons used to have 1100 seats; now we have 290 seats—so if we had an all-access plan with people coming in and just hanging out, there would not be enough seating.” Greg Crawford, Director of Residential Dining said. “But we mainly did it for social distancing guidelines from the CDC and our local health department.”

Reaction to the new plans has been generally positive, though there has been some confusion

surrounding the updated dining plans. Primarily, it has stemmed from incoming students or parents of students who expected a dining plan similar to those of prior years, but thankfully these confusions were quickly cleared up.

Retail food services on campus, such as Starbucks and Chick-fil-A, have also updated their service plans, requiring guests to order to-go. Students and faculty are also able to take advantage of Georgia Southern’s partnership with Starship to have food from any retail food service on campus delivered to them, so long as they have the associated app. Eagle Dining Services is offering their own app, GATA-Go, to allow guests to order their food ahead and come pick it up.

“We’re learning, just like everyone else coming back to school this semester,” Crawford said. “I would encourage anybody that’s on the dining plan and has any ideas or suggestions how we can maybe either do things better, or do things faster—things they would like to see—to reach out to us at Eagle Dining Services and let us know, because as things progress and as the semester progresses and changes, we’d like to make sure everybody’s being taken care of.”



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R	D	E	C	I	R	C	U	I	T	Y	H	E	S	P	I	L	L

- Across
1. Brillo rival

4. "Million Dollar Baby" Oscar winner

9. Mill output

14. College major

15. "The Queen" star Mirren

16. Loose rock

17. Long SOS cry

20. Elderly

21. Computer list

22. Where contacts used to be found

26. Pistol, for example

31. "___ questions?"

32. It's got "Double Stuff"

34. Pooch, to a tot

35. On the surface

37. Burst of wind

38. Long and fearful sound

42. Arrange

43. Neck wear

44. Always part of a home buy

47. Fitness centers

48. Blockbuster rental, perhaps

51. Iran's capital

53. Villain, at times

55. Computer symbol

57. Departed

58. Long running comics hit

65. Fish

66. A rechargeable battery

67. Fraternity letter

68. Pear-shaped tropical fruit

69. Send, in a way

70. Appetite

- Down
1. "The English Patient" setting

2. Where to find Eugene

3. Hard

1	2	3		4	5	6	7	8		9	10	11	12	13
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17				18						19				
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65								66						67
68								69						70

4. "Ain't ___ Sweet"

5. Itsy-bitsy

6. Bass, for one

7. Margosa

8. Catcher's point of stress

9. False start?

10. Big club

11. Earlier suffix

12. Aquatic shocker

13. Good name, for short

18. Tokyo, once

19. "National Velvet" author Bagnold

23. Welfare, with "the"

24. Buffalo's county

25. Levantine three-master

27. Halloween vandal, perhaps

28. Malaria symptom

29. Hazard

30. Bumped into

33. Bread spreads

35. Category
36. Pound sounds

38. "Anything ___?"

39. A pop

40. Exuberance

41. Convenience

42. Darling

45. Brooks Robinson, e.g.

46. Brazo river city

48. Dejected

49. Showing lines on the skin

50. Attracted

52. Everybody's opposite

54. Bigheadedness

56. Short cotton fiber

58. "Every child. One voice." org.

59. Mythical monster

60. Durable wood

61. Be in arrears

62. Plant served like potato

63. Cereal grain

64. "___ to Billie Joe"

- Acids

Administration

Alike

Alto

Apple

Apply

Arab

Aunts

Away

Band

Bear

Blow

Both

Cards

Circuit

Comparatively

Deer

Dies

Discoveries

Disguise

Draws

Drum

Dusty

East

Else

Envy

Fancy

Feed

Fluid

Gate
- Good

Grew

Hail

Hats

Helped

Hint

Hits

Hose

Iceberg

Idea

Jeans

Lawn

List

Lose

Lots

Male

Mood

Navy

Near

Nest

Odor

Olive

Order

Panic

Path

Pegs

Performance

Placed

Printed

Puzzle
- Rail

Reward

Road

Rugs

Rushed

Sands

Seal

Seas

Senate

Sharks

Spelled

Spill

Starting

Stern

Tall

Telephone

Term

Text

Toad

Tray

Tricky

Trip

Varying

Votes

Warned

Weigh

Whip

Workman

Worm

Zero

Level: Medium

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Level: Difficult

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BREAKING:

White House names Statesboro, Bulloch as ‘red zone’

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STATESBORO — President Donald Trump’s coronavirus task force penned the latest Georgia state report Sunday. The document, obtained first by WABE News and the Center for Public Integrity, identified Georgia as a red zone state with the second highest rate of new cases in the nation

One of the report’s recommendations was for Georgia to require all universities with RNA detection to expand surveillance testing. It also recommended that any university with an outbreak should be prepared to test all students and protect the surrounding environment.

Asked if the University System of Georgia (USG) has a plan to adhere to the recommendations, Aaron Diamant, USG’s vice chancellor for communications, didn’t respond to The George-Anne’s

Wednesday.

Jennifer Wise, Georgia Southern’s director of communications, said she could not comment Wednesday.

“I would only say that [the White House report] speaks to my previous comment that GS has a ways to go [with] Covid testing as well as its reporting of positive case data,” said Rob Yarbrough, associate professor of geography. “Although I speak only for myself, I’ve heard from many students, faculty, and staff who share these concerns. We can do better and we should do better.”

The report also identified Statesboro as a “red zone” core-based statistical area and Bulloch, Liberty and Chatham counties as “red zone” counties.

A red zone, as defined by the report, is a location that, “During the last week reported both new cases above 100 per 100,000 population, and a viral (RT-PCR) lab test positivity

result above 10%.”

The report provided policy guidance for red zone locations. That includes closing bars and gyms and limiting social gatherings to 10 people.

The George-Anne reached out to William Bridwell, partner at The Blue Room. Citing a need for more information, he said he couldn’t comment on the new guidance.

“I can say with great confidence that we have followed and exceeded all direction and guidelines from local and State officials thus far, and we will continue to do so without hesitation,” said Bridwell.

“We have followed all CDC guidelines, implemented mandatory temperature screening for all patrons and employees (which is not required of businesses), have adhered to the mask mandate from the Mayor/Council, as well as many other mitigating factors,” Bridwell added.

Crossword Solution

1	S	2	O	3	S		4	S	5	W	6	A	7	N	8	K		9	P	10	A	11	P	12	E	13	R
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68	A	C	K	E	E								69	E	L	A	T	E				70	Y	E	N		

Medium Sudoku Solution

5	2	8	9	7	1	6	4	3
1	7	3	4	6	5	8	9	2
4	6	9	2	3	8	5	7	1
2	8	4	1	9	7	3	6	5
9	3	6	8	5	2	7	1	4
7	5	1	6	4	3	2	8	9
6	9	5	7	2	4	1	3	8
3	1	7	5	8	9	4	2	6
8	4	2	3	1	6	9	5	7

Difficult Sudoku Solution

9	3	2	6	5	7	4	8	1
7	5	8	9	1	4	2	3	6
4	1	6	2	8	3	7	9	5
8	9	4	1	7	5	6	2	3
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6	8	5	7	9	1	3	4	2
2	4	1	5	3	8	9	6	7
3	7	9	4	6	2	5	1	8